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For: IMMERSION EXPOSURE APPARATUS AND DEVICE MANUFACTURING METHOD
WITH LIQUID DETECTION APPARATUS

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

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- ☒ 1. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed with a Request for Continued Examination. No certification or fee is required.
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- ☒ 3. Search reports and Office Actions were issued in counterpart foreign and international applications. Copies of the search reports and Office Actions are attached as References 206-213.
- ☒ 4. A translation of one or more previously-submitted non-English language reference is attached. See References 119-121 and 123.
- ☒ 5. A complete English language translation of one or more non-English language reference is attached. See References 126-128.

- ☒ 6. Office Actions were issued in related U.S. applications. Copies of the Office Actions are submitted for the Examiner's consideration as References 193-205.
- ☒ 7. Reference 1 correspond JP-A-07-176468, reference 2 corresponds to JP-A-08-037149, reference 3 corresponds to JP-A-11-016816, reference 4 corresponds to JP-A-2002-014005, reference 5 corresponds to JP-A-2005-005713, references 6 and 7 correspond to JP-A-2005-252239, reference 8 corresponds to JP-A-2005-012195 and WO 2004/105106, reference 122 corresponds to WO 2004/053952, reference 124 corresponds to WO 2004/105107 and reference 125 corresponds to WO 2005/036621 which were all submitted in previously-filed Information Disclosure Statements.

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